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Dear David:

I have just returned to the office and will leave this afternoon for Hot Springs, Arkansas, to resume, I hope, a short vacation, returning October 2.

I want to tell you how much I appreciate your great aid in preparing for the hearing this morning. I had never read your book and I must apologize. I assume that it was not advertised widely because you gave all your royalties to charity. It was a noble thing for you to do but I really believe you should have it now printed in paperback and let it be sold throughout the country, as it is a true explanation of the tragedy. The very forward by Harrison Salisbury would mean a great deal toward its circulation in the country.

I also enjoyed your interview with Bill Buckley. He is always amazing in his knowledge of the subject but in this case you knew much more than he did.

I hope that if you come to Washington you will let me know and if I can do anything to assist you, such as putting you up at the Cosmos Club, I will be glad to do so.

I enjoyed seeing you again and of course seeing President Ford and John McCloy.

Thanking you and with best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

John Sherman Cooper